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1. KOREA

PROSECUTION THURSDAY ASKED 10-YR SENTENCE FOR FORMER
PRES YUN PO-SUN IN TRIAL 18 MYONGDONG DISSIDENTS (AP,
NYT; WP).

SK/NK TROOPS TRADED MG, RECOILLESS RIFLE FIRE ACROSS DMZ
THURSDAY, 45 MILES NE SEOUL. NO DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES
REPORTED. UNC, NK REPORTED EXCHANGE TO 378 MEETING OF
MAC. EACH ACCUSED OTHER OF STARTING. DOD SPOKESMAN
CALLED IT ONE MORE IN "SERIOUS OF INCIDENTS OVER THE
YEARS...NOT UNUSUAL" (WP; CHITRIB; WSTAR 8/5). NO US
ELEMENTS INVOLVED (AP, SUN). SPOKESMAN SAID UNC "NOT
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ALARMED", THO MAC VIEWS AS "SERIOUS INCIDENT" (UPI,
NYT).

SASC THURS APPROVED BILL AUTHORIZING SALE 45 AGING

NAVY SHIPS TO 11 NATIONS; INCLUDES 7 DESTROYERS, 3
LANDING CRAFT WANTED BY SK (REUTER, WASHINGTON).

VERMONT SEN CMTE PROBING UNIFICATION CHURCH SAYS HAS
SOME EVIDENCE STATE SHOULD REVOKE TAX EXEMPT STATUS (WP).

2. INDOCHINA

VN SENDING HI-POWERED DELEGATION HEADED BY PM PHAM VAN
DONG TO NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT AT COLOMBO NEXT WK. HANOI
LIKELY USE CONFERENCE TO SEEK AID, ESTABLISH FRIENDLY
IMAGE; WILL PROBABLY STEER CLEAR OVER USSR/PRC VERBAL
CLASH ON SUMMIT PURPOSE (REUTER SINGAPORE).

3. INDOCHINESE REFUGEES

HK LETS 19 VIET REFUGEES PICKED UP BY PANAMANIAN SHIP
LAND; UNHCR AGREES ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR WELFARE
UNTIL CAN ARRANGE RESETTLEMENT (REUTER HK). RTG ROUNDS
UP VIET REFUGEES IN WHAT MAY BE EFFORT SABOTAGE FONMIN
BHICHA'S FENCE-MENDING TRIP TO INDOCHINA. PAPER
ACCUSES MIL TRYING CREATE SITUATION THAT WOULD RESTORE
ARMY TO POWER (UPI, BALTO N-A 8/5).

4. THAILAND

RTG AGREES OPEN DIPL RELS WITH VN. DECISION MADE AT
SPECIAL CABINET SESSION (REUTER BANGKOK).

FORMER PM THANOM KITTIKACHORN ASKS PERMISSION RETURN
FROM SINGAPORE EXILE TO BECOME BUDDHIST MONK (NYT).

5. PHILIPPINES

DEP SECSTATE ROBINSON ARRIVES FOR TALKS WITH MARCOS,
TOP FIL OFFICIALS, ON RENEGOTIATION US-PHIL MIL BASE
TREATY (UPI, NYDN).
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6. AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND

FIRE DESTROYS AUSSIE CHANCERY MOSCOW, PART AMB'S
RESIDENCE. NO CASUALTIES; BLAZE PROBABLY STARTED BY
ELECTRICAL FAULT (REUTER, NYT).

REPORT PRESENTED TO NZ PARLIAMENT ESTIMATES HALF USSR
DIPL STAFF THERE ARE INTELL OFFICERS (REUTER WELLINGTON).

7. CHINA

MUNRO (WP, NYT), IN PEKING REPORTS PARTIAL RELAXATION,
SLIGHT WINDING DOWN EMERGENCY PERIOD FOLLOWING QUAKE.

MORE CITIZENS RETURNING HOME; 2 DAYS PASSED W/O MESSAGE FROM FON MIN ASKING VIGILANCE/SUMMARIZING AFTERSHOCK ACTIVITY. FOREIGNERS PERMITTED RETURN HOME TO OBTAIN PERSONAL BELONGINGS; FACTORIES RESUMED PRODUCTION AS WORK TEAMS CLEARED AWAY RUBBLE (PHINQ).

FREIDIN (BALT N-A) CITES "HIGHLY QUALIFIED QUARTERS" WHO SAY MAO SECRETLY AIRLIFTED FROM PEKING TO VILLA NEAR HANGCHOW ALONG WITH INTENSIVE CARE UNIT. ACCORDING "HIGHLY AUTHORITATIVE NON-WESTERN SOURCES," HUA CALLED TOP-LEVEL COUNCIL CONFERENCE IMMEDIATELY AFTER QUAKE, RECOMMENDED FLY MAO OUT OF CAPITAL. DEPARTURE NOT DISCLOSED TO CHINESE; FLIGHTS COVERED UP BY NEWS ARMY DAY BANQUET SCHEDULED FOR PEKING'S GREAT HALL, CANCELLED.

NCNA REPORTS PEKING'S STEEL/POWER/MINING INDUSTRIES CONTINUED UNINTERRUPTED PRODUCTION DESPITE QUAKE EFFECTS. AGENCY ALSO REPORTED OTHER FACTORIES IN CITY TURNING OUT SUPPLIES FOR QUAKE-AFFLICTED AREAS (REUTER, HK).

CHINESE SOURCES SAY TIENTSIN W/O ELECTRICITY, FACING WATER SHORTAGE AS RESULT QUAKE. SHOPS CLOSED, AUTHORITIES DISTRIBUTING FOOD AMONG 4-MIL POPULATION. OTHER REPORTS REACHING PEKING SUGGEST NEARBY PORT HSINKANG MAY HAVE SUFFERED FURTHER HEAVY DAMAGE IN AFTER-TREMORS (REUTER).

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FREE CHINA RELIEF ASSN, W/MIL ASSISTANCE, HAS BEEN SENDING RICE/LARD/CANNED MEAT/1ST AID/CLOTHING TO QUAKE STRICKEN AREAS PRC BY BALLOON SINCE 7/29. ASSN SPOKESMAN SAID AIRDROP TECHNIQUE SO ADVANCED THAT EXACT TIME/LOCATION DROP CAN BE PREDETERMINED (CSM).

CHICAGO HOLDING SPECIAL EXHIBIT ROC CULTURE/SCIENCE/INDUSTRY AT MUSEUM OF SCIENCE THROUGH 10/12 (CHITRIB).

8. JAPAN

SAPPORO HIGH COURT THURS REVERSED 1973 DISTRICT COURT RULING THAT SDF UNCONSTITUTIONAL. JUDGE OGO RULED INTERPRETATION ART IX OF CONSTITUTION BEYOND REACH OF COURT, SHOULD BE JUDGED BY "PARLIAMENT, CABINET AND THE JAPANESE PEOPLE." FARMERS WHO BROUGHT SUIT BLOCK NAGANUMA NIKE SITE CONSTRUCTION 7 YRS AGO PLAN APPEAL SUPREME COURT (SUN, TOKYO). MALCOLM (NYT) SAYS DECISION HAILED BY LDP, DENOUNCED BY OPPOSITION; SETS STAGE FOR NATIONWIDE LEGAL DEBATE ON SDF STATUS AT TIME SDF QUIETLY MOUNTING CAMPAIGN EDUCATE PUBLIC ON NEED FOR BIGGER DEFENSE BUDGET.

POLICE ARRESTED 19-YR OLD HS STUDENT WHO TRIED "RESCUE"

TANAKA FROM JAIL FRI. RELEASED ON BAIL. BOY SAID "PITY FOR SUCH A GREAT MAN TO BE EKPT IN SUCH A PLACE" (REUTER, TOKYO).

PROSECUTORS PLAN KEEP TANAKA IN CUSTODY 10 MORE DAYS, CONTINUE QUESTIONING ABOUT ALLEGED LOCKHEED PAYMENTS (CHITRIB). LAWYERS SAY TANAKA MAKING BEST OF UNPLEASANT SITUATION, "FULL OF PEP" AND TRIES "LOOK PROPER" BY WEARING JACKET EVEN THO POLICE TOOK AWAY BELT/NECKTIE TO PREVENT POSSIBLE SUICIDE (MAKELWAY, WSTAR 8/5).

94 MEMBERS TANAKA FACTION URGE LDP OUST MIKI, BECAUSE FAILED UNITE PARTY. DIETMAN TAKEO KIMURA ADMITTED REAL REASON FOR MOVE IS MIKIDIDNOT USE INFLUENCE PREVENT TANAKA ARREST (PHINQ).

SPOKESMAN SAID THURS LOCKHEED WILL SUSPEND "AT LEAST TEMPORARILY" 750,000 DOL 10-YR CONSULTANT CONTRACTS WITH HAUGHTON, UNCLASSIFIED

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KOTCHIAN, PENDING REPORT BY FIRM'S SPECIAL CMTE PROBING ILLEGAL PAYMENTS (WSJ, BURBANK).

CULLISON (JOC) NOTES JAPANESE SHIPBUILDERS "ASTONISHED" THURS BY REPORTS WEUR MAY TAKE UNILATERAL MEASURES FREEZE JAPAN OUT OF WORLD MARKET. STATE DEFENSIVELY MOT ALREADY STUDYING SHIPBUILDING RATIONALIZATION COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION THAT GOJ RESTRAIN CONSTRUCTION/EXPANSION SHIPYARDS.

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

9. CHINA

MUNRO (CSM) NOTES PEOPLE'S DAILY CHARACTERIZED QUAKE SITUATION IN TERMS "NATIONWIDE UNITY" FOR RELIEF; SUGGESTS QUAKE PROVIDED HUA WITH UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY PROVE HIMSELF AS PROBLEMSOLVER/"TAKE-CHARGE" ADMINISTRATOR. OBSERVERS THINK HUA HAS OCCASION CALL FULL MTG CENTRAL CMTE, SLICE THROUGH RADICAL-MODERATE IMPASSE TO PRESENT SHORT-TERM POL/ECON PROGRAM THAT DIRECTLY RESPONDS TO NEW SITUATION PRODUCED BY QUAKE.

S F CHRON (7/3) REVIEWS CHINESE METHOD PREDICTING QUAKE; STATES RECENT EVENTS IN PRC MAKE ALL MORE IMPORTANT EARTHQUAKE PREDICTION BILL AUTHORED BY SEN CRANSTON; URGES SWIFT APPROVAL.

UNIV OF CHICAGO POL SCI PROF TSOU, IN NYT LETTER, SAYS DESPITE CHINESE REFUSAL US QUAKE ASSITANCE, OTHER MEASURES HUMANITARIAN AID EXIST: INDIVIDUALS/MISSIONARY, OTHER ORGS COULD RELINQUISH PRIVATE CLAIMS AGAINST CHINA HELD SINCE 1949; CONGRESS COULD GRANT PRC MFN STATUS.

STATES SUCH MOVE WOULD BE FITTING AS "FINAL ACT" STATES-
MANSHIP OF SEN MANSFIELD BEFORE RETIREMENT, "LASTING
TRIBUTE TO HIS CONCERN FOR HUMANITY."

10. PHILIPPINES

SUN NOTES BENIGNO AGUINO TRIAL AFTER 4 YRS' DETENTION;
SEES SEN AS SYMBOL THOUSANDS FIL POL PRISONERS. REPORTS
AGUINO'S REFUSAL PARTICIPATE IN TRIAL DUE RESTRICTIONS
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ON LEGAL ADVISERS, ASSERTION WHOLE THING CONTROLLED BY
MARCOS. OPINES DESPITE RUMBLINGS, NO SIGN FILS READY FOR
STRUGGLE TO RESTORE FREEDOMS, SO SEN RIGHT THAT FATE IN
MARCOS' HANDS. HOPES MARCOS WARY CREATING MARTYR, DE-
MORALIZING PHILS' FRIENDS IF OPPOSITION TO MARCOS BECOMES
CAPITAL CRIME.

MARLIN (CSM) DESCRIBES DESIGN COMPETITION THAT PRODUCED
NEW DEVELOPMENT CONCEPT FOR MANILA SLUM. WON BY YOUNG
NZ ARCHITECT.

11. MALAYSIA

ANDELMAN (NYT) STATES GOM PRESSING VARIETY PRICE STABILI-
ZATION SCHEMES FOR COMMODITIES THAT ARE PRINCIPAL SOURCES
NATL INCOME. AFTER GETTING TIN AGREEMENT, NOW PUSHING
FOR RUBBER COMPACT; SUGGESTED PALM OIL EXCHANGE, STUDYING
FEASIBILITY STABILIZATION TROPICAL HARDWOODS, PEPPER.
MENTIONS SNAG IN PALM OIL EXPANSION WHEN US SOYBEAN PRO-
DUCERS BEGAN DEMANDING QUOTA/TARIFF.

12. HONG KONG

COLONY BEGAN REVIVING CULTURED PEARL INDUSTRY 2 YRS AGO,
NOW RIVALS JAPAN IN WORLD MARKET. INDUSTRY DESCRIBED,
OUTPUT COMPARED WITH JAPAN'S (UPI, BALTO N-A 8/5).

13. PACIFIC ISLANDS

ANABLE (CSM) IN CENTERFOLD ILLUSTRATED SPREAD, DESCRIBES
CLASH SHAPING UP ON PALAU OVER WHETHER PORT FOR SUPERTANK-
ERS SHOULD BE ALLOWED DISTRUB PRISTINE PEACE. OBJECT WOULD
BE TO TRANSFER OIL FROM SUPERTANKERS TO SMALLER VESSELS
THAT COULD ENTER JAPAN'S SHALLOW PORTS.

14. KOREA

KOREA DEVELOPMENT BANK AD (WSJ) ANNOUCNES "AS MATTER OF
RECORD" 80 MILLION EURODOL LOAN, MANAGED BY MANUFACTURERS
HANOVER LTD, 6 OTHER BANKS; PROVIDED BY CITIBANK, WELLS
FARGO, 18 OTHER BANKS.

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15. JAPAN

JAPAN FISHERIES ASSN AD (NYT, WP) ASKS "WHAT'S 200 MILES BETWEEN FRIENDS?" STATES NEW LAW WOULD EXCLUDE JAPAN FROM TRADITIONAL N PAC FISHERIES, COVERED BY AGREEMENTS, AND FORCE NATION BACK TO "MACARTHUR LINE" OF OCCUPATION DAYS. REVIEWS CATCH ROLE IN SUPPLYING PROTEIN NEEDS. SAYS 200-MILE LAW COULD BECOME "MAJOR CAUSE OF DISCORD" IN US-JAPAN RELS, URGES RESOLUTION "IN NEAR FUTURE" BY FAIR/REALISTIC TREATY.

REUTER'S MACKENZIE COVERS 31ST ANNIVERSARY OF HIROSHIMA A-BOMB. QUOTES MIKI SPEECH THAT CALLED FOR "REAL PEACE" BY TOTAL BAN ON NUKES TO LIBERATE MANKIND FROM THEIR THREAT.

CARTER (SUN) SAYS PBS WILL SHOW "TO DIE TO LIVE: THE SURVIVORS OF HIROSHIMA", TONITE. CALLS IT "GRIPPING, MOVING, POWERFUL...DISTURBING, UNNERVING AND UNCOMFORTABLE TO WATCH."

SUN'S SEIDEN DESCRIBES HOW TANAKA ARREST LEFT LDP REELING, ALTERED POLITICAL SCENE IN TOKYO. QUOTES ARGUMENT BY LDP DIETMAN GANRI YAMASHITA, THAT TANAKA HASN'T DONE ANYTHING SO BAD, AND MIKI SHOULD HAVE PROTECTED PRESTIGE OF PRIME MINISTERSHIP, LIKE FORD PROTECTED PRESIDENCY WITH NIXON PARDON.

CSM'S SOUTHERLAND DOUBTS THAT JCP CAN CAPITALIZE ON LOCKHEED SCANDAL, DESPITE INDEPENDENCE FROM PRC/SOV PARTIES, CLEAN IMAGE AND "SMILING DIPLOMACY" TOWARD VOTERS. FOR ONE THING, ARE STILL MISTRUSTED BY LARGE MAJORITY OF PUBLIC. NOTES JCP PROTESTATIONS OF INNOCENCE IN LOCKHEED AFFAIR HAVE EVEN ANTAGONIZED OTHER OPPOSITION PARTIES, SO MUCH THAT JSP OFFICIAL IN PRESS CONFERENCE FEW DAYS AGO REVIVED ALLEGED RESPONSIBILITY OF JCP CHAIRMAN MIYAMOTO IN 40-YR OLD "TORTURE-MURDER" CASE.

16. GENERAL

ACCORDING NYT'S SEMPLE, WORLD IS HOOKED ON THE TELEPHONE. OECD REPORT STATES US LEADS WITH 657/1000 PEOPLE, UK, UNCLASSIFIED

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AUSTRALIA, JAPAN IN MID-RANGE WITH ABOUT 350/1000. NOTES JAPANESE SUBSCRIBERS JUMPED BY 30 MILLION OVER PAST DECADE, WITH 600,000 MORE CLAMORING FOR NEW PHONE. HABIB

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